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The above-referenced application shares a common specification with the '998 and '016 patents and, like the '998 and '016 patents, claims a benefit of priority that extends to the April 24, 2001 filing of U.S Patent No. 6,657,272.

The '998 and '016 patents have been asserted in a patent infringement action pending in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California (Rambus Inc. v. NVIDIA Corporation, Case No. C-08-03343 SI), and have also been asserted in an investigation before the International Trade Commission (ITC) under Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (In the Matter of Certain Semiconductor Chips Having Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory Controllers and Products Containing Same, Investigation No. 337-TA-661).

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